



File Code: 1950

Date: May 1, 2017

Dear Interested Party,

The Mt. Hough Ranger District of the Plumas National Forest is proposing the Storrie and Rich Fire Area Watershed Improvement and Forest Road 26N67 Re-alignment Project. This project proposes activities designed to restore the fire area and reduce the post-fire effects to watersheds and infrastructure. Specifically, the project would relocate a segment of Forest Road 26N67 away from a stream channel to reduce sedimentation and decommission unneeded forest road segments that are causing stream sedimentation. The project is located on National Forest System Lands in the Plumas National Forest, Mount Hough Ranger District. The project includes activities in T26 N, R7E, Sections 10, 15, 16, 17, and 25; and T26N, R8E Sections 8, 17, 30, 31, 32, and 35, Mount Diablo Principal Meridian.

A detailed description of the project background, location, purpose and need, and proposed action is now available on-line at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51655>. The notice and supporting documentation is also available for review at the Mt. Hough Ranger District, 39696 Highway 70, Quincy, CA 95971.

If you have questions, would like to request a hard copy of the detailed proposed action, or need additional information about this proposal or the comment procedures, please contact Christine Handler, Project Leader at 559-920-2188; email: [cahandler@fs.fed.us](mailto:cahandler@fs.fed.us).

### Comments Welcome

We are currently seeking information, comments, and assistance from state and local governments, tribes, and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in, or affected by, the proposed management activities. To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, your comments should be as specific as possible. In order for your comments to be most useful, and considered timely, we need to receive them by Friday, June 2, 2017. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, are part of the public record for this proposed action and are available for public review.

In an effort to reduce paper use, the Forest Service will emphasize electronic correspondence throughout this project. Please submit your comments via email to:

[comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-mthorough@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-mthorough@fs.fed.us)

Comments you submit electronically need to be in plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc or .docx), or an email message. Please put **"Storrie/Rich Fire Area Watershed Improvement Project"** in the subject line.

Your hard copy comments may be:



- Mailed to the attention of Micki Smith, District Ranger, c/o Plumas Fire Restoration Comments, Mt. Hough Ranger District, 39696 Highway 70, Quincy, CA 95971;
- Hand delivered weekdays (except holidays) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to the Mt. Hough Ranger District, 39696 Highway 70, Quincy, CA 95971;
- Faxed to 530-293-1821.

**Objection Regulations (36 CFR 218)**

The proposed project is subject to the pre-decisional review (or objection) regulations of 36 CFR §218 Subparts A and B.

Only those who submit timely and specific written comments (defined by 36 CFR 218.1) during a designated public comment period established by the responsible official will have eligibility to file an objection (36 CFR §218.5). For this scoping comment period, comments will be considered timely if submitted by Friday, June 2, 2017. For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments must either sign the comment or verify identity upon request. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements in §218.25(a) (3).

We appreciate your interest in public land management.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Micki D. Smith", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

MICKI D SMITH  
District Ranger